# Native Plant Production Nursery and Restoration – Hoosier National Forest

# 2007 Accomplishments

## **Background**

The Hoosier National Forest intends to establish an area of native warm season grass and forb production on approximately 100 acres. The project would restore native plants to a previously row-cropped property so that this property may serve as a seed source for future landscape restorations on the Forest. The list of local genotype native plant species selected for planting by the Hoosier National Forest and Quail Unlimited included six grasses and eighteen forbs.

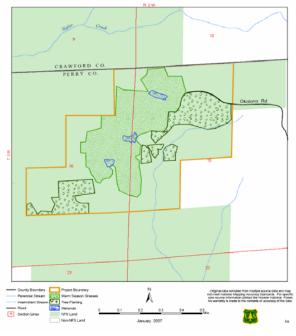
Native plant focal species include but not limited to are big and little bluestem, Indian grass, switch grass, plus forbs such as sunflowers, coneflowers, mints, milkweeds, asters, black-eyed Susan, coreopsis, and rattlesnake master.

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- Quail Unlimited planted 100 acres by seed drill in the row-crop area in early summer.
- Hoosier personnel mowed approximately 20 acres of the area to control and reduce the vigor of nonnative plants and aggressive native species to facilitate later autumn 2007 native inter-seeding.
- The Forest purchased \$8984.00 of native seed of local genotype from Roundstone Native Seed for delivery and inter-seeding planting in the autumn of 2007.
- The Forest purchased \$3000.00 of local native shrubs from Vallonia Nursery for delivery and planting in the spring of 2008.



Haskins Property Planting Hoosier National Forest



Project Description – Native Plant Production Nursery Site (light dapple green)

Year Awarded: FY 2007 Project completion: (2009) Report number: (1 of 3)

#### Expenditures:

FY07 funding: \$12,500Expend: \$11,984Remaining: \$0

#### Partners:

Quail Unlimited – Patoka Chapter

Expend: \$14,000 (Answer the Call Grant)
Indiana Department of Natural Resources –
Division of Fish and Wildlife
National Wild Turkey Federation

#### Contractors:

Roundstone Native Seed Indiana State Vallonia Nursery

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Aerial View of Project Area – Nursery site in cropland